Note No. 041/11

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, and has the honor to refer to the Agreement Between the United States of America and the Kingdom of the Netherlands concerning the status of military and civilian personnel of the United States Department of Defense temporarily present in the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba in connection with military exercises and training constituted by exchange of notes at The Hague on May 3, 2005 (the Agreement), which has been extended five times, each time for a period of one year, and terminates, in accordance with its terms, on May 3, 2011.

Desiring to continue military cooperation between our military forces in the same areas as the existing Agreement, and in view of upcoming military training exercises and any other agreed activities, including scheduled port visits, the Government of the United States proposes that the Agreement shall again be extended for an additional period of one year until May 3, 2012, based on the understanding that references in the Agreement to the Netherlands Antilles are construed, with effect from October 10, 2010, the date of the dissolution of the Netherlands Antilles, to refer to all the islands that constituted part of the Netherlands Antilles: the Caribbean part of the Netherlands (Bonaire, Saba, and St. Eustatius), Curacao, and St. Maarten. If the foregoing is acceptable to the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Government

of the United States proposes that this note, together with a response from the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, shall constitute an Agreement between our two governments, which shall enter into force on the date of the Ministry's reply and shall remain in force until May 3, 2012.

Embassy of the United States of America

The Hague, May 3, 2011.

Buitenlandse Zaken

Treaties Division
DJZ/VE-401/11

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and has the honour to refer to the Embassy's Note No. 041/11 of May 3, 2011, which reads as follows:

"The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, and has the honor to refer to the Agreement Between the United States of America and the Kingdom of the Netherlands concerning the status of military and civilian personnel of the United States Department of Defense temporarily present in the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba in connection with military exercises and training constituted by exchange of notes at The Hague on May 3, 2005 (the Agreement), which has been extended five times, each time for a period of one year, and terminates, in accordance with its terms, on May 3, 2011.

Desiring to continue military cooperation between our military forces in the same areas as the existing Agreement, and in view of upcoming military training exercises and any other agreed activities, including scheduled port visits, the Government of the United States proposes that the Agreement shall again be extended for an additional period of one year until May 3, 2012, based on the understanding that references in the Agreement to the Netherlands Antilles are construed, with effect from October 10, 2010, the date of the dissolution of the Netherlands Antilles, to refer to all the islands that constituted part of the Netherlands Antilles:

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the Caribbean part of the Netherlands (Bonaire, Saba, and St. Eustatius), Curacao, and St. Maarten. If the foregoing is acceptable to the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Government of the United States proposes that this note, together with a response from the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, shall constitute an Agreement between our two governments, which shall enter into force on the date of the Ministry's reply and shall remain in force until May 3, 2012.".

The Ministry has further the honor to inform the Embassy of the United States of America that the proposals set forth in the Embassy's note are acceptable to the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and to confirm that the Embassy's note and this note shall constitute an Agreement between the two Governments, which shall enter into force on the date of this reply, and shall remain in force until May 3, 2012.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.

The Hague, 6 May 2011